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ELECTION DAY IN SHARON

On Election Day Eve, forty-one of Sharon's forty-eight registered voters gathered at the Schoolhouse to cast their votes promptly at midnight so that they would again, as in 1940, be the first town in the country to complete its voting for the President of the United States.

It seems to us that it was a real compliment to Sharon that we were again given this opportunity by the Associated Press to win this distinction, and the success of the undertaking proves that (though Sharon is more than a third larger than it was in 1940) the people are just as cooperative and just as proud of the town as they were then.

The townspeople began arriving at the Town House at eleven P. M., chatted and ate doughnuts and drank cider until all had arrived before 12 o'clock. On the stroke of the hour the voting was started and, in order to save time, it was done at the old school desks in two sittings. At 12:07 it had been completed, Henry Beauvais being the first one to complete his ballot.

The votes, including six absentee ballots, were quickly counted by Kenneth Plimpton, Moderator, and Mrs. Charles Calef, Town Clerk, and the results—32 for "Ike" and 14 for "Adlai"—were put on a large blackboard around which the Sharonites gathered. Two did not vote for President. Immediately the results were telephoned over the direct A.P. line which had been set up in the hallway of the Town House. Pete Carroll, who seemed pleased to be covering this Sharon event again, took a number of pictures both before and after the voting, and these photographs were developed at the Sharon Inn where a dark room had been prepared; then transmitted by wire-photo to 800 newspapers across the country—and these papers made extra copies for nearly 600 other newspapers.

The Associated Press men, Don Guy and Pete Carroll, and Daniel F. Eneguess of the Monadnock Region Association, did some very careful and energetic planning for a week in advance and certainly should have been gratified at the result. The news-story and the pictures appeared in newspapers all over the country, even as far away as England and Norway.

And of course all of the townspeople were happy about the whole thing!

WINNIFRED H. CLARK



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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator, Kenneth D. Plimpton.

Town Clerk, Virginia L. Emmes. Resigned July 12, 1952.

Nora F. Calef appointed balance of term.

Treasurer, Nora F. Calef.

Collector of Taxes, A. Lester Stevens.

Town Fire Warden, Chester A. Hurd.

Forest Fire Wardens, Chester A. Hurd, A. Lester Stevens, Harrison Kimball, Robert Young.

Supervisors of the Checklist, Wayne J. Lawlor, Emily A. Day, Elizabeth J. Hurd.

Selectmen, Kenneth D. Plimpton, Don E. Lawlor—Resigned, May 13, 1952. John W. Danforth, Jr., appointed balance of term, Charles R. Calef.

Highway Agent, Harold A. Wilson.

Trustee of Trust Funds, John W. Danforth, Jr.

CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT

This is to certify that I have audited the accounts and records of the Town of Sharon for the year ended December 31, 1952, and found them to be in good order. All town officials are bonded as required by law.

The exhibits included herewith reflect the true financial condition of the town, together with the results of operations for the year ended December 31, 1952.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN MILTON STREET

Auditor, Town of Sharon

TOWN WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, in the County of Hillsborough, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Brick School House in said Sharon on Tuesday, the tenth of March next at 7:30 P. M. of the clock in the evening, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to establish the amount which shall be paid the Town Officers for their services, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 3. To raise and appropriate such sum of money as may be necessary for Town expenses.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate such sum of money as may be necessary for the care of cemeteries, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the Town Health Officer, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for fire protection, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20.00 (1/100th of 1% of the valuation of the Town) to the Monadnock Region Association of Southern New Hampshire for issuance and distribution of printed matter, newspaper and magazine advertising, and by other means calling attention to the resources and natural advantages of the Town, in cooperation with the other thirty seven towns of the Monadnock Region.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500.00 for summer maintenance and bridge repair.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500.00 to oil and sand Temple, Greenleaf and McCoy Roads.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$170.38 for Town Road Aid, and the State will allot to the Town the sum of \$1035.88.

Article 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of plowing and sanding.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to be used for Blister Rust control.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to have an audit made and to make an appropriation to cover the expense of same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow a sum of money not to exceed three thousand dollars in anticipation of taxes.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15.00 for interest to be paid on temporary loans.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to buy a Cut-a-bar Tractor suitable for use in the cemeteries and raise and appropriate a sum of money to cover the cost of same.
(Proposed by J. Henry Beauvais).

Article 17. To hear reports of Agents, Auditors or Committees and Officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relative thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Article 19. Shall the provisions of Act 171A of the Revised Laws relative to the play game of Beano be adopted in this town?

Given under our hands and seal this ninth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty three:

CHARLES R. CALEF
KENNETH D. PLIMPTON
JOHN W. DANFORTH, JR.
Selectmen of Sharon

A true copy of Warrant-Attest:

CHARLES R. CALEF
KENNETH D. PLIMPTON
JOHN W. DANFORTH, JR.
Selectmen of Sharon

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SHARON, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953. Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1952 to December 31, 1952.

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1952	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1953
Int. and Div. Tax	\$5,774 01	\$5,900 00
Savings Bank Tax	10 70	11 00
Forest lands	12 48	13 00
Growing wood and timber	329 30	400 00
Bounties	6 25	5 00
From Local Sources Except Taxes:		
Dog Licenses	58 20	33 00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	50	50
Int. Rec'd on Taxes & Deposits	98	50
Timber Tax (Local)	260 02	150 00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	527 56	530 00
Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:		
Anticipation of Taxes	2,000 00	2,000 00
Head Tax	230 00	225 00
Head Tax Ex.	1 38	
Cash Surplus	2,406 75	1,031 08
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:		
(a) Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2	66 00	66 00
(c) Head Tax Levy 1951	5 00	
Poll Tax Levy 1951	2 00	
TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES	\$11,691 13	\$10,365 08
Amt. to be Raised by Prop. Taxes	\$4,839 59	\$5,775 66
	\$16,530 72	\$15,915.74

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SHARON, N. H.

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Appropriations Previous Year 1952	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1952	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1953
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$755 00	\$755 00	\$755 00
Town Officers' Expenses	760 00	538 15	500 00
Election & Regis. Exp.		207 82	100 00
Audit	35 00	35 00	35 00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Fire Department:			
Hose, Cleaning out water holes	100 00	14 85	500 00
Tractor: Included in Winter Maintenance		(55 00)	(110 00)
Health:			
Health Dept., including Hospitals	15 00	15 00	15 00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance— Summer	1,000 00	1,000 10	1,500 00
Town Maintenance— Winter	1,500 00	896 42	1,500 00
Street Lighting	66 00	66 00	73 44
Timber Tax		17 08	52 92
Head tax		201 00	225 00
Bounties		10 50	
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	125 00	97 80	125 00
Unclassified:			
Damages & Legal Exp., Incl. Dog Damage		3 17	4 00
Advertising & Reg. As.	18 00	18 00	20 00
Interest:	35 00	24 20	15 00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Construction:			
Mountain Road	500 00	499 90	

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Appropriations Previous Year 1952	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1952	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1953
State Aid Construction—			
Town's Share	181 82	181 79	170 38
Oil Roads—McCoy			
Temple—Greenleaf			1,500 00
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
(a) Bonds Temporary loan	2,000 00	2,000 00	2,000 00
(b) Long Term Notes	500 00	500 00	
Payments to Other Gov. Div.: " "			
County Taxes	1,492 86	1,492 86	1,500 00
School Taxes	5,695 00	5,695 00	5,550 00
Head Taxes	201 00		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$14,979 68	\$14,269 64	\$16,140 74

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES—1952

	Appropriations	Expended	Unexpended	Balance Overdrawn
Town Officers' Salaries and Expenses	\$755 00	\$755 00		
Town Officers' Expenses for Election & Registration	760 00	745 97	\$14 03	
Fire Department	100 00	14 85	85 15	
Health Department	15 00	15 00		
Town Road Maintenance—Summer	1,000 00	1,000 10		\$ 10
Town Road Maintenance—Winter	1,500 00	896 42	603 58	
New Road Construction	500 00	499 90	10	
TRA	181 82	181 79	03	
Street Lights	66 00	66 00		
Audit	35 00	35 00		
Monadnock Region Ass'n	18 00	18 00		
Cemeteries	125 00	97 80	27 20	
Payment on Debt	500 00	500 00		
Interest	35 00	24 20	10 80	
County Tax	1,492 86	1,492 86		
School Tax	5,695 00	5,695 00		
Head Tax	201 00	201 00		
Bounties		10 50		10 50
Dog Tags		3 17		3 17
Temporary Loan	2,000 00	2,000 00		
Timber Tax		17 08		17 08
	<u>\$14,979 68</u>	<u>\$14,269 64</u>	<u>\$740 89</u>	<u>\$30 85</u>

BALANCE SHEET 1951 AND 1952

ASSETS

	1951	1952
Cash in hands of Treasurer	\$2,406 75	\$2,261 08
Bounties due from state	6 25	10 50
Uncollected taxes	7 00	4 20
Balance due from state-timber tax reimbursement	12 48	0 00
	<hr/> \$2,432 48	<hr/> \$2,275 78

LIABILITIES

Head tax due state	\$ 200 00	\$ 230 00
Long Term Notes	500 00	0 00
School Appropriation	1,000 00	1,000 00
	<hr/> \$1,700 00	<hr/> \$1,230 00
Surplus	732 48	1,045 78
	<hr/> \$2,432 48	<hr/> \$2,275 78

**Classified Summary of Receipts and Expenditures
and Proof of Balance Fiscal Year Ending**

December 31, 1952

Balance-December 31, 1951	\$2,406 75	
Receipts	14,123 97	
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	\$16,530 72	
Expenditures	14,269 64	
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Balance-December 31, 1952		\$2,261 08

PROOF OF BALANCE

Balance in First National Bank of Peterborough as per statement— December 31, 1952	\$4,046 91	
Less outstanding checks	2,435 30	
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	\$1,611 61	
Cash on hand (Deposited by 1/5/52)	649 47	
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		\$2,261 08

OUTSTANDING CHECKS

No. 151	\$505 45
152	1,895 00
153	14 80
154	20 05
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	\$2,435 30

RECEIPTS—YEAR 1952

From Local Taxes		
Levy of 1951:		
Head taxes	\$5 00	
Poll taxes	2 00	
Penalty	50	
Levy of 1952:		
Property taxes	4,839 59	
Head taxes	230 00	
Poll taxes	66 00	
Interest	48	
	<hr/>	\$5,143 57
From Local Sources, except taxes:		
Dog licenses	\$33 60	
Motor vehicle permits	527 56	
All other permits	50	
Timber tax	260 02	
Dog tax refund-51	24 60	
	<hr/>	\$846 28
From State of N. H.:		
Bounties	\$6 25	
Interest & Dividend tax	5,774 01	
Savings Bank tax	10 70	
Head tax expense	1 38	
Reimbursement a/c growing wood & timber	329 30	
Reimbursement a/c loss of taxes on public lands	12 48	
	<hr/>	\$6,134 12
Temporary Loan		\$2,000 00
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Cash on Hand, Jan 1, 1952		\$14,123 97
		2,406 75
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Grand Total		\$16,530 72

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Charles R. Calef, Selectman	\$175 00
Kenneth D. Plimpton, Selectman	125 00
Don E. Lawlor, Selectman	20 84
John W. Danforth, Selectman	104 16
Kenneth D. Plimpton, Moderator	10 00
Virginia L. Emmes, Town Clerk	33 33
Nora F. Calef, Town Clerk	66 67
Nora F. Calef, Treasurer	75 00
A. Lester Stevens, Tax Collector	110 00
John W. Danforth, Trustee of Trust Funds	10 00
Chester A. Hurd, Fire Warden	25 00
Charles R. Calef, T.O.E.	53 68
Chester A. Hurd, T.O.E.	10 20
Don E. Lawlor, T.O.E.	2 00
Kenneth D. Plimpton, T.O.E.	15 72
John W. Danforth, T.O.E.	30 00
A. Lester Stevens, T.O.E.	47 22
Virginia L. Emmes, T.O.E. and Auto tax fees	26 50
Nora F. Calef, Auto tax fees	6 00
Nora F. Calef, T.O.E.	9 20
Wayne J. Lawlor, Supervisor, Elec. & Reg.	38 40
Emily A. Day, Supervisor, Elec. & Reg.	40 40
Elizabeth J. Herd, Supervisor, Elec. & Reg.	38 40
Charles R. Calef, Elec. & Reg.	22 40
Kenneth D. Plimpton, Elec. & Reg.	22 00
Don Lawlor, Elec. & Reg.	6 80
John W. Danforth, Elec. & Reg.	13 60
Virginia L. Emmes, Elec. & Reg.	6 80
Nora F. Calef, Elec. & Reg.	13 60
Postage & Telephone, Elec. & Reg.	5 42
A. Lester Stevens, Fire Meeting	12 05
Chester A. Hurd, Fire Ex.	2 80
Treasurer School District	5,695 00
Monadnock Region Assn.	18 00
Transcript Printing Co.	175 00
Registry of Deeds	4 46
J. Milton Street, Audit	35 00
Nora F. Calef, Secretary	20 00
John Bellows Agency, Bonds	35 00
J. L. Sargent, Tax Bills	6 35
Telephone	7 84
Edson Eastman, Tax book, Filing cabinets, etc.	51 87

Steele's Book Store, Envelopes, etc.	4 00
Rodney Woodman	5 50
Postage & Envelopes	11 11
Assn. of N. H. Assessors	2 00
N. H. Tax Collectors Assn.	3 00
State of New Hampshire, Head Tax	201 00
State of New Hampshire, Assessment Records	5 50
N. H. Town Clerks Assn.	2 00
Waite Wilson, Cemeteries	97 80
First National Bank, Interest	24 20
First National Bank, Temp. Loan	2,000 00
First National Bank, Turnpike note	500 00
County Tax	1,492 86
Dr. C. G. Caywood	15 00
Branham Ptg. Co., Auto Ref. Book	4 00
T.R.A.	181 79
Damage by Dogs	3 17
Public Service Co., Street Lighting	66 00
Timber Tax	17 08
A. Lester Stevens, Bounties	9 75
Chester Hurd, Bounties	75
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	\$11,873 22

Summary of Town Debt

Turnpike Town Construction 2%
 Date of Issue—December 29, 1952.
 Interest Payable June 29 and December 29.
 Principal Payment Date December 29.
 Payable at First National Bank, Peterborough.
 Balance of \$500 and Interest of \$10 due December 29, 1952.

SUMMARY OF WARRANT
Property, Poll and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1952

DR.

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$4,843 79	
Poll Taxes	66 00	
Total Warrant		\$4,909 79
Yield Taxes		160 02
Interest Collected		48
Total Debits		\$5,070 29

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$4,839 59	
Poll Taxes	66 00	
Yield Taxes	160 02	
Interest Collected	48	
Uncollected Taxes:		
Property Taxes	4 20	
Total Credits		\$5,070 29

SUMMARY OF WARRANT
State Head Tax
Levy of 1952

DR.

State Head Taxes Committed to
Collector:

Original Warrant	\$230 00	
Total Debits		\$230 00

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$230 00	
Total Credits		\$230 00

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Poll Taxes
Levy of 1951

DR.

Uncollected Taxes—As of January 1, 1952:		
Poll Tax	\$2 00	
To al Debits		\$2 00

CR.

Remittances of Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1952:		
Poll Tax	\$2 00	
Total Credits		\$2 00

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

State Head Tax
Levy of 1951

DR.

Uncollected Taxes—As of January 1, 1952:	\$5 00
Penalties Collected During 1952	50

Total Debits	\$5 50
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During 1952:		
Head Tax	\$5 00	
Penalty	50	
Total Credits		\$5 50

Summary of Town Clerk's Motor Vehicle and Dog License
Account Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1952

DR.

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued:		
1951—230010		
1952—210751-210816		\$527 56
Dog Licenses Issued:		
16 at \$2, 1 at \$5	\$37 00	
Less Fees	3 40	
		\$33 60
		\$561 16

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:		
A/c Motor Vehicle Permits	\$527 56	
A/c Dog Licenses	33 60	
		\$561 16

HIGHWAY AGENT'S REPORT 1952
SPECIAL APPROPRIATION, MOUNTAIN ROAD
HAROLD A. WILSON, Agent

H. A. Wilson, Agent	\$30 80	
E. Elliot, Shovel	192 00	
C. Eaton, Truck	103 50	
E. Helsteen, Truck	42 90	
R. H. Wilson, Truck	57 20	
T. Kolopakka, Labor	15 00	
H. Miller, Grader	58 50	
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		\$499 90

Sharon wishes to express its appreciation to Malcolm Seymour for a gift of \$348.90 for repair work on Mountain Road.

HIGHWAY AGENT'S REPORT, 1952
WINTER MAINTENANCE
HAROLD A. WILSON, Agent

H. A. Wilson, Agent	\$77 50	
H. A. Wilson, Truck	401 50	
Waite Wilson, Labor	76 00	
Lester Stevens, Labor	3 00	
Roy Whittier, Labor	15 00	
Richard Wilson, Labor	7 00	
Jason Sawyer, Tractor	16 00	
Karl Boutwell	18 85	
R. C. Hazelton	56 45	
Wilcox Battery Service	1 91	
Martin Keenan Ins.	42 22	
Hafeli Fuel & Ice Co.	9 98	
Sand	20 00	
Joseph Saunders	65 00	
D. A. Eaves	67 21	
H. A. Wilson, Materials	18 80	
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		\$896 42

HIGHWAY AGENT'S REPORT, 1952

SUMMER MAINTENANCE

HAROLD A. WILSON, Agent

H. A. Wilson, Agent	\$159 50
H. A. Wilson, Truck	313 70
H. A. Wilson, Materials	19 78
E. Elliot, Shovel	36 00
C. Eaton, Truck	20 25
H. Miller, Grader	201 50
K. Wetherbee, Patch	7 00
J. Burton	28 25
Richard Wilson, Truck	12 10
Richard Wilson, Labor	4 00
Richard Wilson, Tractor	12 50
Waite Wilson, Labor	4 00
State of N. H. Calcium Chloride	68 49
Annett Box Company	14 52
Goodnow Bros.	3 59
Hafeli Fuel & Ice Co.	7 32
H. Burt, Labor	9 00
United Auto Supply Co.	6 60
Ace Construction Co., Inc.	24 00
Keene Sand & Gravel	28 50
John Danforth, Labor	1 00
William Young, Gravel	18 50

 \$1,000 10

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

TOWN OF SHARON—1952

Land and Buildings (exclusive of Growing Wood and Timber)	\$188,296 00
Electric Plants	15,202 00
Cows	900 00
Goats	20 00
Fowls	150 00
Vehicles (Steam Shovel)	1,000 00
Gas Pumps	50 00
Total Gross Valuation before exemptions	\$205,618 00
Less Soldiers' Exemptions	3,793 00
Net Valuation	\$201,825 00
Poll Taxes 33	\$66 00
Total Taxes committed to Collector	\$4,909 80
Average Tax Rate of Taxation per hundred dollars evaluation for all purposes	\$2 40
Number of Veterans who receive property exemptions (5)	
Number of Veterans exempted from Poll Tax (12)	

TOWN OF SHARON
SUMMARY OF TRUST FUNDS PRINCIPAL, INCOME AND INVESTMENTS, FISCAL YEAR
ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1952

Name of Fund	Principal	Balance of Income	Income	Balance of Principal Expended and Income
Stephen Bacon	\$200 00	\$35 53	\$10 12	\$240 65
Wirling Gregg	100 00	16 19	4 96	116 15
Addie M. Royse	100 00	15 39	4 93	115 32
John B. Shedd	150 00	23 73	7 44	176 17
David & Hannah (Carlton) Wilson	50 00	5 88	2 35	53 23
George & Mary Royse Wilson	50 00	5 19	2 33	52 52
Ellen A. Wilson	200 00		8 59	203 59
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	\$850 00	\$101 91	\$40 72	\$35 00
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				\$957 63

Depository: Peterborough Savings Bank

Thirty-five dollars paid to Waite Wilson for care to trust fund graves 1952.

VITAL STATISTICS
TOWN OF SHARON

Births:

Nora Elizabeth Lawlor to Edith and Don Lawlor on Apr. 10, '52

Marriages:

Rosanna Brady to Ray Dwight Eaves on November 19, 1952.

Deaths:

Olga O'Ja Beauvais on December 27, 1952.

SCHOOL REPORT

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SHARON, N. H.

For the School Year Ending June 30, 1952

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PART I. ADMINISTRATION AND ORGANIZATION

A. OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Moderator

JOHN W. DANFORTH, JR.

Clerk

ELIZABETH R. KIMBALL

School Board

ELIZABETH R. KIMBALL (appointed)

Term expires 1953

WAYNE J. LAWLOR (appointed)

Term expires 1953

PEARL Y. STEVENS, Chairman

Term expires 1955

Treasurer

NORA F. CALEF

Superintendent of Schools

LESTER B. BADGER

Truant Officer

PEARL Y. STEVENS

Census Taker

ELIZABETH R. KIMBALL

Auditor

JOHN MILTON STREET

B. COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Department of Education
State of New Hampshire

State House, Concord
December 5, 1952

IN THE MATTER OF LAYING OUT A COOPERATIVE SCHOOL
DISTRICT

As a result of the vote taken by the Francestown, Greenfield, Hancock, Jaffrey, Peterborough, Sharon and Temple School Districts, and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 213 of the Laws of 1951, the area comprising the School Districts of Francestown, Greenfield, Hancock, Jaffrey, Peterborough, Sharon and Temple is hereby laid out as a secondary cooperative school district, grades seven through twelve, and is designated as Cooperative School District No. 2 of New Hampshire.

Your district is now authorized to proceed to step No. 2 in the process of organizing a cooperative school district, namely, voting approval of the Cooperative School District No. 2 as laid out by the order of the State Board of Education.

For the State Board of Education
December 5, 1952

s/ HILTON C. BULEY
Commissioner of Education

C. SCHOOL CALENDAR

1953

- Jan. 5 Schools reopen
 Feb. 20 Schools close—Winter vacation.
 Mar. 2 Schools reopen.
 Apr. 17 Schools close—Spring vacation.
 Apr. 27 Schools reopen.
 June 11 Schools close 12:15 (one session) unless time lost.

 Sept. 9 Schools open.
 Nov. 25 Schools close 12:15 (one session) Thanksgiving recess.
 Nov. 30 Schools reopen.
 Dec. 18 Schools close—Christmas vacation (Any days lost prior to Dec. 19 to be made up week of Dec. 21)

1954

- Jan. 4 Schools reopen.
 Feb. 19 Schools close—Winter vacation.
 Mar. 1 Schools reopen.
 Apr. 23 Schools close—Spring vacation.
 May 3 Schools reopen.
 May 31 Schools closed—Memorial Day
 June 18 Schools close 12:15 (one session) unless time lost.
 Note: 5 school days allowed for workshop.
 2 school days allowed for Teachers' Convention.

The regulation of the State Board of Education requires 180 school days including workshop and Teachers' Convention.

PART II. FINANCE
A. ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1952

Cash on Hand July 1, 1951		\$155 39
Received from Selectmen:		
Current Appropriation	\$4,028 00	
Received from all Other Sources:		
Dog Tax (later refunded to town)	24 60	
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Total Receipts		\$4,052 60
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year		4,207 99
Less School Board Orders Paid		4,184 68
		<hr/>
Balance on Hand June 30, 1952		\$23 31

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Sharon, N. H. of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1952 and find them correct in all respects.

S/ JOHN MILTON STREET, Auditor

July 15, 1952.

B. SCHOOL BOARD'S FINANCIAL REPORT

	Expenditures 1951-52	Budget 1952-53	Revised 1952-53	Budget 1953-54
ADMINISTRATION:				
1. Sal. of Dist. Officers	\$99 00	\$94 00	\$94 00	\$74 00
2. Supt.'s Sal. (local share)	21 11	39 00	34 00	37 00
3. Tax for State Wide Super.	20 00	24 00	24 00	28 00
4. Sal. of other Adm. Personnel	14 68	23 00	23 00	35 00
5. Supplies and Expenses	30 27	26 00	26 00	24 00
OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT:				
13. Water, Light, Sup. & Exp.	22 00	24 00	38 00	35 00
MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT:				
14. Repairs and Replacements	7 00	10 00	10 00	10 00
AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES:				
16. Transportation	1,863 00	2,319 00	1,800 00	1,800 00
17. Tuition	2,051 36	3,610 00	2,718 00	3,435 00
FIXED CHARGES:				
19. Retirement	6 04	5 00	5 00	6 00
20. Ins. Treas. Bond & Exp.	11 57	59 00	59 00	44 00
CAPITAL OUTLAY:				
22. Additions & Improvements	12 65			
23. New Equipment	1 40	2 00	2 00	202 00
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Cash on hand	\$4,160 08	\$6,235 00	\$4,833 00	\$5,730 00
	23 31		725 31	
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TOTAL	\$4,183 39	\$6,235 00	\$5,558 31	\$5,730 00
	INCOME		REVISED	
	1951-52	1952-53	1952-53	1953-54
Cash on hand July 1	\$155 39		\$23 31	\$725 31
Local taxes, current assess- ment	4,028 00	\$6,235 00	5,535 00	4,804 69
Special				200 00
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	\$4,183 39	\$6,235 00	\$5,558 31	\$5,730 00

C. RETURN OF DISTRICT REVENUE

EXPENDITURES

Current Expenditures	\$5,535 00	
Total Appropriation		\$5,535 00

RECEIPTS

Assessment Required to Meet School		
District Appropriation	\$5,535 00	
Total Appropriation		\$5,535 00

 CERTIFICATES

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the obligations authorized, and the amounts to be assessed to meet statutory requirements and appropriations made at the annual meeting of the Sharon school district held 11 March 1952.

s/ PHILIP A. EMMES
Clerk of the School District

To THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION:

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the financial proceedings of the district for the school year 1952-53, and that copies of this statement have been filed with the chairman of the board of selectmen and entered in the records of the school board in accordance with N. H. Laws of 1951, Chapter 37, Section 2.

s/ PHILIP A. EMMES
Chairman of the School Board

June 14, 1952.

D. REPORT OF THE DISTRICT CLERK

School Meeting, March 11, 1952

Meeting called to order at 9:40 A. M.

Article 1. Moved and seconded that the checklist be used for this meeting. Check list will be used—voted. Richard Wilson nominated John Danforth; seconded by Rose Wilson. Moved and seconded that the Clerk cast one ballot for John Danforth. Motion carried. John Danforth is elected Moderator and sworn in.

Article 2. Mr. Kimball moved that one ballot be cast for Philip Emmes. Motion carried. Philip Emmes is elected Clerk for the ensuing year.

Article 3. Mrs. Emmes. Motion made by R. Wilson that Clerk cast one ballot for Pearl Stevens; seconded by Rose Wilson. Mrs. Pearl Stevens is elected.

Article 4. Mrs. Nora Calef. Motion made that Mrs. Nora Calef be elected by Clerk. Cast one vote. Motion carried. Mrs. Calef is elected Treasurer.

Article 5. Article 5 as written is carried. I move that the salaries of the district officers be as follows:

Chairman of the School Board	\$25
Each other member	10
Treasurer	12
Clerk	10
Moderator	2
Auditor	25

Article 6. Motion made to lay action on table until report of Co-operative School be given by Mrs. Harrison Kimball. Motion carried.

Article 7. John Street is chosen Auditor for the school district by Clerk's casting one ballot.

Article 8. Article 8 amended to read \$5,535 instead of \$6,235. Motion carried.

Article 9. Article 9 is passed over. Motion carried.

Article 6. Mrs. Harrison Kimball as member of the Co-operative School Committee gave a report to date on the actions of the group.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45.

S/ PHILIP A. EMMES
School District Clerk

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT CLERK

Special Meeting—28 August 1952

Meeting called to order at 8:15 P. M.

Warrant read.

Moved and seconded that Harrison Kimball be Moderator pro tem in the absence of John Danforth, School District Moderator. Moved by William L. Young; seconded by Winifred Clark. Motion carried.

Moderator called on Lester B. Badger, Superintendent of Schools for District (Supervisory Union) 47 for explanation of cooperative school plan.

Article 1. Motion made by School Board and seconded that the town indicate its interest in becoming a member of the proposed Jaffrey-Peterborough cooperative school district. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 P. M.

S/ ELIZABETH R. KIMBALL
School District Clerk

PART III. CHILD ACCOUNTING AND STATISTICS
A. CHILDREN IN SCHOOL

Fourteen pupils, the same number as last year, are attending Peterborough schools on a tuition basis. The number in 1950 was twelve, and in 1949, ten.

Grade 10	Charles Guptill
Grade 9	Lillian Guptill
Grade 8	John Guptill
Grade 7	Wayne A. Wilson
Grade 5	Peter Stuhlsatz
Grade 4	Darrel Lawlor (Moved away 1/12/53)
Grade 3	Jennie Guptill
	Alberta Stevens
	Wayne Stevens
Grade 2	Deborah Kimball
Grade 1	Joyce Guptill
	Donna Stuhlsatz
	Brent Lawlor (Moved away 1/12/53)
	Bobby Young

B. CENSUS, 1952

Ages, as of Sept. 1, 1952	Number of Children
Less than 1 year	1
1	0
2	2
3	0
4	1
5	2
6	4
7	2
8	1
9	3
10	0
11	0
12	1
13	1
14	1
15	1
16	0
17	0
Through 18	0
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Total	20

The total was 23 for 1951, seventeen for 1950, and fifteen for 1949.

PART IV. SCHOOL WARRANT

SCHOOL WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Sharon qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the School House in said district on the 2nd day of March, 1953, at 8 P. M., to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing year.
5. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
6. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
7. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
8. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
9. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials, and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.
10. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200 for the purchase of fifty folding chairs for the School House, or take any other action relating thereto.

11. To see if the district will vote to become a member of Cooperative High School District No. 2, grades 7 through 12, as laid out by the State Board of Education, comprising the school districts of Francestown, Greenfield, Hancock, Jaffrey, Peterborough, Sharon and Temple, and take any necessary action relating thereto.

Given under our hands at said Sharon this 14th day of February, 1953.

S/PEARL Y. STEVENS

S/ELIZABETH R. KIMBALL

S/WAYNE J. LAWLOR

School Board

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDENS

In the past year your local forest fire organization did a very fine job of pre-suppressing and suppressing of forest fires. Our early spring was very dry and with extra high winds and all our fires were during that period. We find that the general public is still very careless with matches and cigarettes.

In the "Keep America Green" program there is a story of two bad boys who cause most of our forest fires. The first one we call, "I don't care," he is the person that builds fires anywhere, never gets a permit to burn brush or has a safe place for his home incinerator. He is also very careless with matches and cigarettes. The other one is called, "I don't know any better," and the best way to describe him is a plain dunce. It is only with your help that these two bad actors are controlled. Their carelessness can be the cause of our pretty and valuable woodlands being destroyed by fire. Even your own home can be burned by them.

It is up to you and you alone to report these characters to your local forest fire warden whenever you see them operating. To have our woodlands green and our mountain streams clear, your cooperation is needed by:

1. Seeing that your incinerator is tight and is sitting on clean ground.
2. Always clean a space about any open fire to prevent it from spreading.
3. Never burn in dry, windy weather.
4. In all cases a written permit is required from your local town fire warden.
5. Be sure that your matches, cigarettes and pipe ashes are out before discarding.

It is with your cooperation that this shameful waste of timber and money can be stopped.

1952 forest fire record.

NUMBER OF FIRES 0

ACREAGE BURNED 0

NUMBER OF BURNING PERMITS ISSUED 28

FOREST FIRE WARDEN CHESTER A. HURD

DISTRICT CHIEF G. O. HOLLIS



